

October 8, 2007

Mr. Daniel Buckley, Senior Campaign Finance Analyst
Reports Analysis Division
Federal Elections Commission

Dear Mr. Buckley:

In response to your letter of September 14, three questions were raised in connection with our 2007 Mid Year Report.

Regarding questions 1 and 2, the committee maintains both Federal and Non federal accounts, and it has elected not to allocate its administrative expenses between accounts. All administrative expenses of the Committee are paid with Federal funds. Therefore, the total cost of fundraising (100 percent) is treated as a Federal account expense. None of the fund raising expenses in the 2007 mid year report mentioned any Federal candidate.

In odd numbered years, the Commonwealth of Virginia holds no elections for Federal office, unless a special election is called to fill a vacancy. In the months of January 2007 to June 2007, there were no Federal candidates or Federal elections in Fairfax County. In odd numbered years we support and advocate candidates to local and state offices. In 2007 these offices include State Senators, Representatives to the State House of Delegates, County Board of Supervisors, County Sheriff, County Clerk of the Court, County Commonwealth's Attorney, County School Board, and Soil and Water Conservation District.

We do not name any candidates for Federal office in our fund raising letters or promote, support, attack or oppose any candidate for Federal office in our fund raising activities due to restrictions on spending when Federal Election Activity is involved.

In response to Question 3, 11 C.F.R. Sec. 100.24 has no relevance unless and until the Fairfax County Democratic Committee hires any employees. No payroll expenses are incurred by the Fairfax County Democratic Committee, and that is why none are reported on Schedule B supporting line 30 (b) of the Detailed Summary Page of our report. The Fairfax County Democratic Committee is an all-volunteer committee with no paid staff of any kind. There are no other entities paying employees to work for this Committee, either part time or full time, where employee compensation comes from another entity. In any case, this year the activities of the Committee are to support and elect Democratic candidates to state and local, not federal, offices.

I hope you find this letter responsive to the questions raised in your letter of September 14, 2007. With kind regards,
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Sincerely Yours,

Bruce H. Neilson, Treasurer
Fairfax County Democratic Committee
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